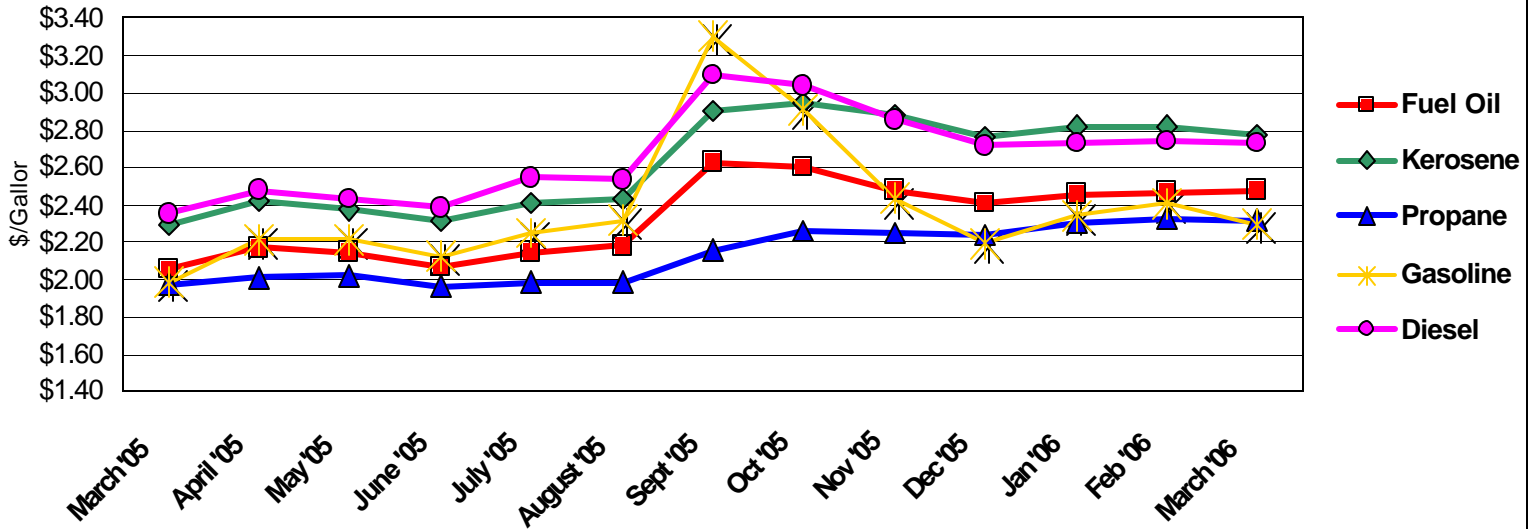


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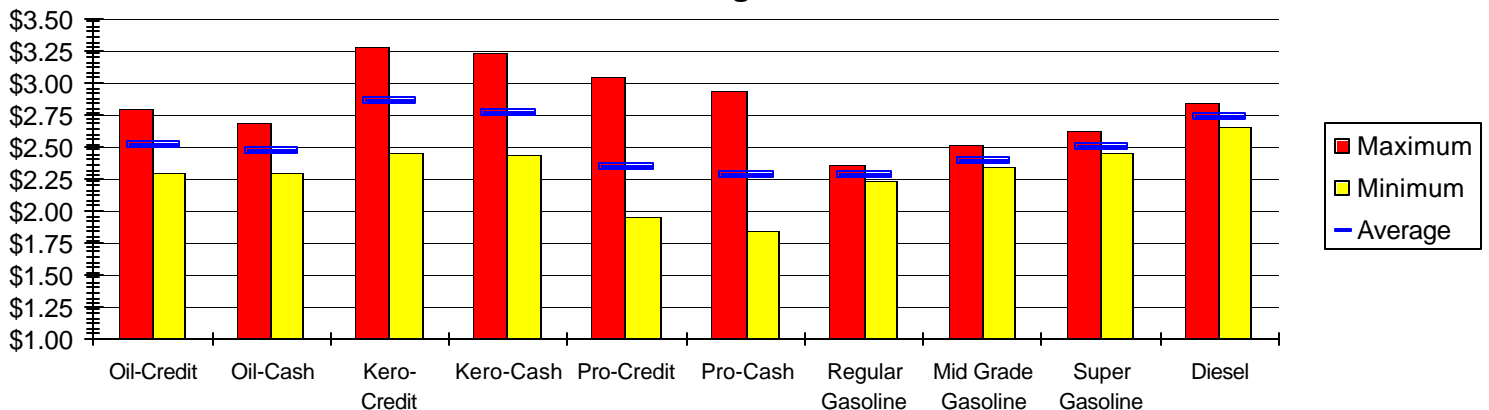
## One-Year Price Trend



## Vermont Average Retail Petroleum Prices (per gallon)

	March '06	Feb '06	%change	March '05	%change
No. 2 Fuel Oil	\$2.47	\$2.46	0.47%	\$2.05	20.77%
Kerosene	\$2.77	\$2.81	-1.53%	\$2.29	21.14%
Propane	\$2.31	\$2.33	-0.55%	\$1.97	17.64%
Reg. Unleaded Gasoline	\$2.29	\$2.40	-4.80%	\$1.98	15.55%
Diesel	\$2.73	\$2.74	-0.20%	\$2.35	16.31%

## Fuel Price Ranges in Vermont



### Gasoline and Diesel Prices

As of March 6, the national average retail price of regular gasoline was \$2.33 per gallon, and the New England average price was \$2.27 per gallon, according to the Energy Information Administration (EIA). The national average retail price of diesel was \$2.55 and the New England average price was \$2.66 per gallon.

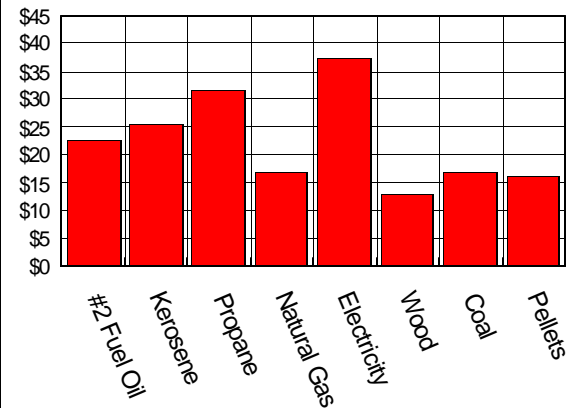
The EIA is projecting that the national average retail price of regular gasoline will increase to over \$2.50 during the spring/summer driving season, primarily due to normal seasonal increases in demand.

Additional information is available on the EIA website at [www.eia.doe.gov](http://www.eia.doe.gov).

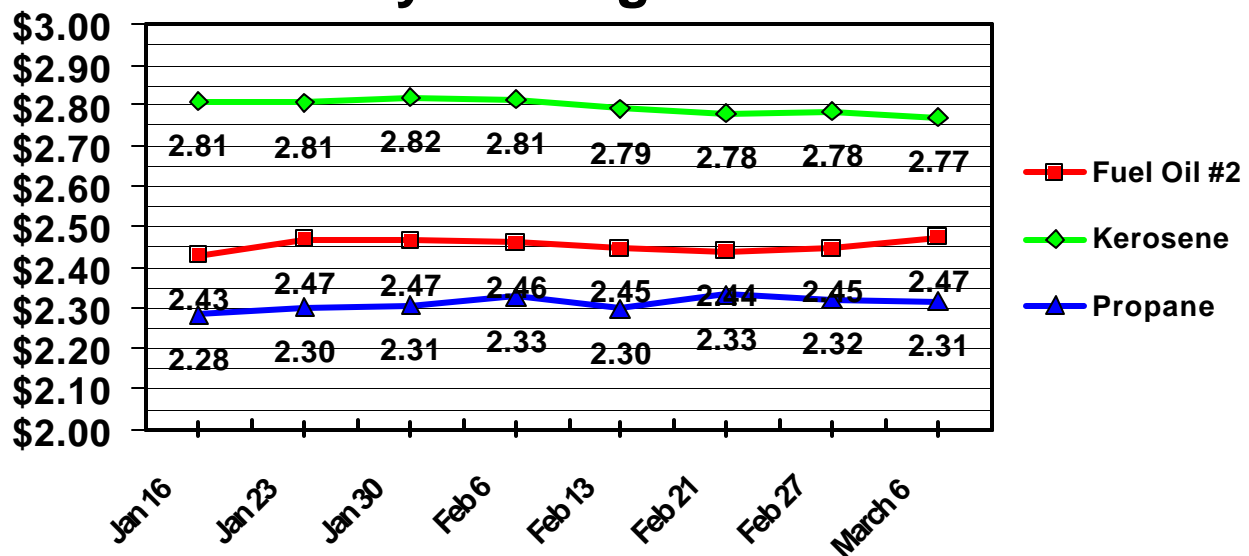
### Comparing the Cost of Heating Fuels

Type of Energy	BTU/unit	Adj Effic	\$/unit	\$/MMBtu
Fuel Oil, gallon	138,200	80%	\$2.47	\$22.37
Kerosene, gallon	136,600	80%	\$2.77	\$25.36
Propane, gallon	91,600	80%	\$2.31	\$31.56
Natural Gas, therm	100,000	80%	\$1.36	\$17.00
Electricity, kwh	3,412	100%	\$0.13	\$37.51
Wood, cord (green)	22,000,000	60%	\$170.00	\$12.88
Coal, ton	24,000,000	60%	\$242.50	\$16.84
Pellets, ton	16,400,000	80%	\$210.00	\$16.01

Cost per 1 Million BTU



### Weekly Average Fuel Prices



#### Heating Fuel Update

For the week of March 6th, the New England average residential heating oil price was \$2.34 per gallon, and the average residential propane price was \$2.42 per gallon.

Although heating fuel demand was down this winter due to warmer weather, average residential heating expenditures were still up by 7-17% over last winter, depending on the heating fuel.

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